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July 9, 2020

VIA E-MAIL

Christine E. Long  
Registrar and Board Secretary  
Ontario Energy Board  
Toronto, ON

Dear Ms. Long:

**Re: EB-2019-0261 – Hydro Ottawa Limited 2021 CIR Rate Application  
Intention to Participate in Technical Conference and areas of interest**

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In accordance with Procedural Order No.3 please be advised that VECC intends to participate in the Technical Conference beginning on July 15, 2020. Below we have provided a list of specific areas in which we may be seeking clarification. We continue to review the interrogatory responses of other parties and may have additional questions at the time of the conference. Please note we have attached our preliminary time estimates for this examination.

A copy of this notice has been forwarded to the Applicant.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Garner', is written in a cursive style.

Mark Garner  
Consultants for VECC/PIAC

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Gregory Van Dusen, Director, Regulatory Affairs, Hydro Ottawa  
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Panel	Witness	
<p><b>Panel 1</b></p> <p><b>Estimated Time – 20 minutes</b></p> <p>Finance, Corporate Governance, Staffing &amp; Compensation, Cost of Capital, Rate Base, PILs, Shared Services, Other Revenue and DVA's (Other than LRAMVA)</p>	<p>Angela Collier, Director, Finance,</p> <p>Greg Van Dusen, Director, Regulatory Affairs</p> <p>Mike Grue, Treasurer</p> <p>Neal Tejwani, Manager, Corporate Financing</p> <p>April Barrie, Manager, Rates and Revenue</p>	<p>COST OF CAPITAL (EXHIBIT 5)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Long-term Debt VECC- 92</li> <li>• ESM VECC-12</li> </ul> <p>TAX/DVAs (EXHIBIT 4 &amp; 9)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Property Tax VECC-81</li> <li>• Property sale gains VECC-109</li> </ul>
<p><b>Panel 2</b></p> <p><b>Estimated Time – 20 minutes</b></p> <p>DSP, Asset Management Planning, Work Execution, IT, and Customer Engagement</p>	<p>Seb Oran, Director, Customer Service</p> <p>Greg Van Dusen, Director, Regulatory Affairs</p> <p>Laurie Heuff, Director, Distribution Engineering and Asset Management</p> <p>Angela Collier, Director, Finance</p>	<p>CAPITAL EXPENDITURES (EXHIBIT 2)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capital contributions VECC-41</li> <li>• Net Metering VECC-19</li> <li>• Scorecards – DSP Assessment VECC-24</li> <li>• Solar Farm – VECC-38</li> <li>• Facilities – VECC-39</li> </ul>
<p><b>Panel 3</b></p> <p>Consistency with RRF and Custom IR Framework, Benchmarking, Load Forecast &amp; CDM, Cost Allocation, Rate Design, Rates and LRAMVA</p> <p><b>Estimated Time – 100 minutes</b></p>	<p>Gregory Van Dusen, Director, Regulatory Affairs</p> <p>Patrick Brown, Manager, Regulatory Policy and Research</p> <p>April Barrie, Manager, Rates and Revenue</p>	<p>LOAD FORECAST (EXHIBIT 3)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Residential: VECC 59</li> <li>• GS 50-1,000: OEB-128 and VECC-57</li> <li>• LU and Street Lighting: VECC-65 and VECC-71</li> <li>• Electric Vehicle Impacts: DRC-8 and OEB-50</li> <li>• Economic Variables Used: VECC 49 a) and VECC-56</li> <li>• CDM Savings: OEB-134, VECC -69 and VECC-71</li> </ul> <p>COST ALLOCATION (EXHIBIT 7)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Primary/Secondary Asset Split: OEB-154</li> <li>• Billing &amp; Collecting Weights: OEB 155 a)</li> <li>• Secondary Customer/NCP Values: OEB-157 and VECC 100 i)</li> </ul> <p>RATE DESIGN (EXHIBIT 8)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Specific Service Charges: OEB 164 c) and VECC 104 c), d) &amp; f)</li> <li>• LV Rates: VECC 106 b)</li> </ul>
<p><b>Panel 4</b></p> <p><b>Estimated Time – 10 minutes</b></p> <p>Total Cost Econometric Benchmarking and Reliability Study</p>	<p>Steve Fenrick, Principal Consultant (Clearspring Energy Advisors LLC)</p> <p>Gregory Van Dusen, Director, Regulatory Affairs</p>	<p>Tentative</p>
<p><b>Panel 5</b></p> <p><b>Estimated Time – 10 minutes</b></p>	<p>Mark Lowry, President (Pacific Economics Group Research LLC)</p>	<p>Tentative</p>

